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MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence

VIA: Director, Office of Global Issues  
Chief, International Security Issues Division

FROM: [redacted] STAT

Chief, Weapons Proliferation Branch  
International Security Issues Division

SUBJECT: Request to Attend and Participate in  
Working Conference

1. I request permission to participate in a working conference at The Fletcher School; invitation and conference agenda is attached.
2. The Conference is scheduled for 12 and 13 April 1984.
3. None of the comments I will make in the discussion periods will be classified.

4. [redacted] I will be identified as an Agency employee but will append the standard disclaimer indicating that the views expressed are my own and not necessarily those of the Agency.

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Attachment as Stated

I have reviewed the attached invitation and approve participation by [redacted]

[redacted] Director of Global Issues 3/13/84 Date

[redacted] Associate Deputy Director for Intelligence 3/13/84 Date

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**The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy**  
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Global Assessment  
 Central Intelligence Agency  
 Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear [redacted]

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On April 12 and 13, The Fletcher School will serve as host for a working conference on development and national security in countries of the Third World. Seventy governmental, academic, and business participants from throughout the United States will consider the topics shown on the attached agenda. We would very much like you to join us, and to participate in the discussion of these topics.

A preliminary workshop on this subject, about two years ago, helped to identify questions about the consequences and the causes of the trend -- persisting for more than a decade, now, among the smaller and poorer developing countries of Latin America, Africa and Asia -- toward increased national security expenditures, higher force levels, and more sophisticated defense systems. Since that time, a number of academic colleagues have conducted studies to clarify these questions, and they have prepared papers for the conference which we would like to share with you.

There remain, however, rather different viewpoints on the origins of these trends, on the reasons which underlie the increasing provision for national security in developing countries, and on the likelihood that these trends will (and can) persist in the coming decade. These differences extend to judgements about policy options and their consequences. By inviting exploration of the perspectives in the academic, governmental, and business communities on these topics we seek common ground for projecting the likely character of the national security and developmental efforts of these countries in the balance of the 1980s.

We will benefit from your participation in this exploration. Please let us know if you will be able to join us. As the conference begins early on April 12, you may wish to arrive in Boston on the 11th. If you need assistance in making hotel reservations, we will be pleased to help; the most convenient hotels are those in Cambridge.

Sincerely yours

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DEVELOPMENT AND NATIONAL SECURITY IN COUNTRIES OF THE THIRD WORLD

DISCUSSION TOPICS

I. PROVISION FOR NATIONAL SECURITY IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD: STATUS AND TRENDS

- a. The measurement of national security effort and "defense burden"
- b. Trends in the 1970s; status at beginning of the 1980s
- c. Military expenditures and military capability; is there a qualitative trend in weapons systems introduced in the Third World?
- d. Findings from study of regional powers in developing areas
- e. Are past trends likely to persist in the 1980s?

II. CONSEQUENCES: HOW ARE THESE TRENDS RELATED TO OTHER NATIONAL OBJECTIVES?

- a. How is increased national security provision related to economic growth performance?
- b. How is increased national security provision related to attainment of welfare and other national objectives?

III. HOW CAN WE ACCOUNT FOR THE TRENDS?

- a. Counteracting external threats; insuring internal security
- b. Relation to military government and to the military in politics
- c. Relation to international arms trade, arms transfers, and military assistance
- d. Relation to trends in the evolution of bureaucratic decision-making: how are national security decisions made in developing countries?

IV. ARE THERE VIABLE ALTERNATIVES FOR THE 1980s?

- a. Regional collective security arrangements; peace-keeping
- b. Disarmament and arms limitation agreements; Zones of Peace
- c. Political instruments for conflict resolution

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